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REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are pending.

The Abstract was objected to as containing more than one paragraph. This objection is respectfully traversed and overcome by the amendments to the specification.

The specification has been amended to correct spelling and other grammatical errors.

No new subject matter has been added to the specification.

Claims 1, 5 and 7 were objected to for informalities and claims 9-12 were objected to under 35 USC§112, second paragraph. These objections are overcome by the amendments to the claims.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon has been reviewed but is not considered material to the patentability of the invention.

No fees are due believed to be with this response. However, if an error has been made in the fee calculations, please charge any excess fees due and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501490 under this general authorization.

It should be noted that the above arguments are directed towards certain patentable distinctions between the claims and the prior art cited. However, the patentable distinctions between the pending claims and the prior art cited are not necessarily limited to those discussed above.

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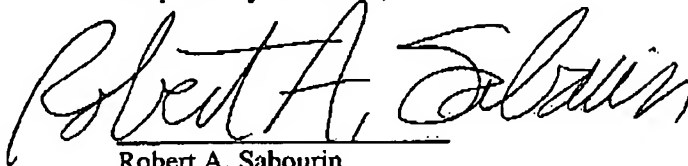
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In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments, it is respectfully submitted that each rejection of the Office Action has been addressed and overcome so that this application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the application, withdraw the rejections and/or objections, and pass the application to issue. Should questions arise during examination, the Examiner is welcome to contact the applicant's attorney as listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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